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For: **NETWORK INTERFACE UNIT HAVING AN EMBEDDED SERVICES PROCESSOR**

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Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Preliminary to examination of the above-captioned patent application, please amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 12, 13, 14, and 15. Please amend claims 1, 5, 7, 8-11, and 16 as follows:

Claim 1, page 14, line 5 after "applications are executed and" and before "a message store," please delete the extra space.

Claim 1, page 14, line 13 after "executing on said processor for executing" and before "software applications," please delete the extra space.